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December 22, 1994

Mr. Jim Kirk  
Department of Labor  
Mine Safety and Health Administration  
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Orangeville, Utah 84537

RE: Surface Subsidence, Co-op Mining (Bear Canyon) ACT/015/025-11 2

Dear Mr. Kirk:

As I promised when we last spoke, I am forwarding some photos of the surface subsidence which Mr. Tom Munson and I (both Utah DOGM employees) discovered on October 25, 1994 in the vicinity of the Bear Canyon Mine belonging to Co-Op Mining Company, (Township 16S, 7E, Section 26, E 1/2 of NW 1/4). The subsidence is the result of mining in the first South section, which was conducted in 1985. As you can see from the photos, a serious public safety hazard exists.

A violation has been issued to Co-Op, a copy of which is enclosed. At present, Mr. Charles Reynolds, Co-Op's Environmental Engineer, is preparing a plan for submittal to the Division for the repair of these voids. I am not certain if your Agency will want to be included in these remedial actions, but in discussing it with my supervisor, we felt that MSHA should at least be kept informed. I will keep you posted as things progress. If I can be of additional help, you can contact me at (801) 637-5806. Thanks.

Sincerely,

Peter H. Hess  
Engineer II

Enclosures (2)

## Haul Roads in Utah

This suggested list for review is based on the concept that roads can be looked at in segments, if necessary, and will be reviewed in the context of the definition of surface mining operations, the requirement that a permit is to be obtained for surface coal mining operations, and the guidance provided by various court cases and preambles of regulation- altering Federal Registers.

Wilberg Mine  
Deer Creek Mine  
Crandall Canyon Mine  
Bear Canyon Mine 15/25  
Convulsion Canyon Mine

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